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THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE AND THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF DETAINEES: QUESTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND STATES OF EMERGENCY

Eighth annual report and list of States which, since 1 January 1985, have proclaimed, extended or terminated a state of emergency, presented by Mr. Leandro Despouy, Special Rapporteur appointed pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1985/37

Addendum

1. Having taken note of the eighth annual report and list of States which, since 1 January 1985, have proclaimed, extended or terminated a state of emergency, presented by the Special Rapporteur on the question of human rights and states of emergency (E/CN.4/Sub.2/1995/20 and Corr.1), the Sub-Commission, in its resolution 1995/33 of 24 August 1995, inter alia, requested the Special Rapporteur to submit to the Commission on Human Rights at its fifty-second session an updated list, so that the Commission would have before it the latest and most comprehensive information possible on the past 10 years.

2. The present document, which is issued as an addendum to the eighth annual report of the Special Rapporteur, has been prepared in pursuance of that resolution for submission, together with the eighth report, to the Commission at its fifty-second session.

3. In preparing this document, use was made by the Special Rapporteur of new information received from Governments, communicated by various international organizations or published in the press since June 1995, when his eighth report was issued.

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4. According to this additional information, in the following countries measures have been taken which constituted the proclamation, introduction, extension, maintenance or termination of emergency regimes in various forms:

Bolivia:* State of emergency decreed on 18 April 1995 in the whole territory of the country; subsequently extended until 15 October 1995.

Source: Notification of the Government to the Secretary-General of the United Nations dated 27 July 1995.

Colombia:* State of internal disturbance decreed on 16 August 1995 for a period of 90 days.

Sources: Letter from the Government dated 4 September 1995; statement made by the observer for Colombia to the Sub-Commission at its forty-seventh session on 17 August 1995.

On 2 November 1995, the state of internal disturbance was again proclaimed in the whole national territory.

Source: Information published in the press.

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* An asterisk accompanying the name of a country indicates that the state of emergency there is still in force.

Annex

LIST OF SPECIALIZED PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED
FROM AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL

SRI LANKA - New emergency regulations

January 1995, AI INDEX: ASA 37/04/94

TURKEY - A policy of denial

February 1995, AI INDEX: EUR 44/01/95